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Post conducted inquiries requested reftel, regarding F-5 spare parts ordered in 2007 by the European Aeronautic Defense and Space (EADS)-CASA, the global leader in aerospace, defense, and related services.

Juan-Manual Fernandez, Senior Manager of Procurement, confirmed that EADS-CASA Military Aircraft, Spain Aeronautics Division, Spanish Air Force, Spanish Ministry of Defense, did indeed place the order for spare lens and washer parts for the repair and maintenance of F-5 Aircraft from Aero Precision Industries. All but one shipment was reported received in May 2008. The remaining quantity of 20 lenses (P/N:30-0194-4) was received July 16, according to Fernandez, who confirmed July 17 that EADS had received the final delivery of the components from Aero Precision Industries and was able to verify through commodity number that in fact they had those components within their inventory.

Fernandez assured Post his division was well aware of the prohibition on unauthorized re-export or retransfer of the aforementioned USML items. He offered to cooperate fully in future and provided contact information for other interlocutors within the Spanish Air Force's logistics and procurement divisions.

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